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WARWICK

ABRAMS, HAROLD H.

"HANK," 94, of Warwick, died unexpectedly at home on Sunday, February 6. He was the owner of the Greenwich Hardware and Paint Co. for 37 years.

Harold was the loving and devoted husband of Helen (Abrams) Abrams for 69 years. Born in Providence, he was a son of the late Samuel and Ella (Elman) Abrams. Hank lived in Cranston for 57 years until moving to Warwick in 2010.

Hank was a 1934 graduate of Classical High School and a 1939 graduate of the former Rhode Island State College, now URI. In 1940, he joined the Navy as a Seaman and went to Annapolis and graduated as an Ensign, "A 90 day wonder." He served in the Navy in the Pacific Theatre until 1945, when he was honorably discharged as a Lt. Commander. After retiring from the hardware store, he enjoyed a fulfilling life spending quality time with his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved to travel, play golf and tennis, and he volunteered in the Rhode Island community. His full life was rounded out by his love of music and theater and he was a regular in the audience at Trinity Rep and the RI Philharmonic. Hank was a member of Temple Sinai for 30 years, a former member of the Cranston Jewish Center (now Temple Torat Yisrael), and a member of Potowomut Golf Club for over 50 years.

Besides his ever-loving wife, he is survived by his three daughters, Anne Schwartz (David) of Richmond, VA, Dr. Jane Abrams (Dr. John Paul MacDuffie) of Philadelphia, PA and Eleanor Wasser (Dr. Marvin) of Cranston; his eight grandchildren, Marjorie Thomsen (Erik), Rabbi Michael Schwartz (Tamar Forman), Leslie Schwartz, Jason Guy (Dr. Elizabeth Shen), Rachel Wasser, Emily Wasser, Kate MacDuffie and Peter MacDuffie; and his seven great-grandchildren. He was also the brother of the late Everett Abrams.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday, February 9, 2011, at 1:30 p.m. in Temple Sinai, 30 Hagen Ave., Cranston. Burial will be in Lincoln Park Cemetery following the service. Shiva will be held at 172 Edaville Court in Warwick on Wednesday 7-9, Thursday 2-4 & 7-9 and Friday 2-4 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Temple Sinai.

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